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**Does this rotation accept visiting students?** ☑ YES ☐ NO

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:**

This course provides students with exposure to the multidisciplinary evaluation and management of tumors of the head and neck. The clinical experience will include patients with HPV-related oropharyngeal cancer, tobacco-related tongue and laryngeal cancer, tumors of the thyroid and salivary glands, skin cancer of the head and neck, and the wide variety of other tumors occurring in the head and neck region. Many of these tumors have symptoms that mimic much more common problems such as lymphadenitis, tonsillitis, pharyngitis, Bell’s palsy, and clinicians should be aware of the subtle differences between a patient with a common primary care problem treated with antibiotics versus a patient who may harbor an occult cancer. Students will function as an acting intern and be responsible for learning the early diagnosis, evaluation, and multidisciplinary treatment and rehabilitation for these diseases.

**LEARNING GOALS & OBJECTIVES:** At the completion of this clinical rotation students should be able to do the following:

1. Complete a comprehensive head and neck examination. (MK1,MK4, PC1, PC2,P3, CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4, CS5, PR1,PR2,PR3, PD1, PL1, PL2, SL2, IP3)
2. Integrate and manage the diagnosis, staging, and management of patients with head and neck tumors into the clinical practice. (MK1,MK4, PC1, PC2,P3, CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4, CS5, PR1,PR2,PR3, PD1, PL1, PL2, SL2, IP3)
3. Illustrate the neck lymph node levels and staging of head and neck cancers. (MK1,MK4, PC1, PC2,P3, CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4, CS5, PR1,PR2,PR3, PD1, PL1, PL2, SL2, IP3)
4. Summarize the NCCN Guidelines for the diagnosis and treatment of cancers of the thyroid, skin, parotid, tongue, pharynx, and larynx. (MK1,MK4, PC1, PC2,P3, CS1,CS2,CS3,CS4, CS5, PR1,PR2,PR3, PD1, PL1, PL2, SL2, IP3)

**INSTRUCTIONAL METHODOLOGIES AND ROTATION ACTIVITIES:** Students on this rotation will be expected to learn and achieve the educational goals and objectives through the following methodologies and activities:

1. Regularly scheduled didactic otolaryngology lectures, rounds, discussions and attendance at multidisciplinary tumor board
2. Patient contact – the patient load will be the same as a PGY 1 or 2 resident.

**PATIENT ENCOUNTERS:** Students will be expected to work-up patients with these specified conditions:

1. Oral Cancer / Oropharyngeal Cancer
2. Thyroid Nodule
3. Salivary Gland Neoplasm
4. Neck Mass

**EVALUATION / FEEDBACK METHODS:** Students will be evaluated using the following methods:

2. Direct feedback after the following clinical experiences: operating room, outpatient clinics, inpatient rounds and management.
3. Attendance at Tumor Board and Lectures.
4. A mid-point evaluation form will be completed halfway through the rotation in order for the student to be assessed on their performance.

**Will students be expected to participate in call?** ☑ YES ☐ NO
Students will follow the call schedule of the PGY 1 or PGY2. Call will be approximately 2-3 times per week until 10:00 pm.